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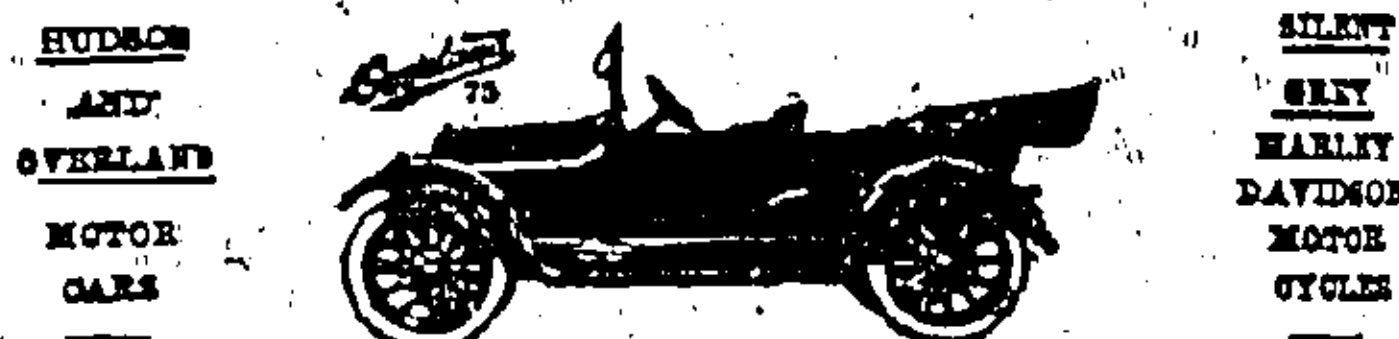
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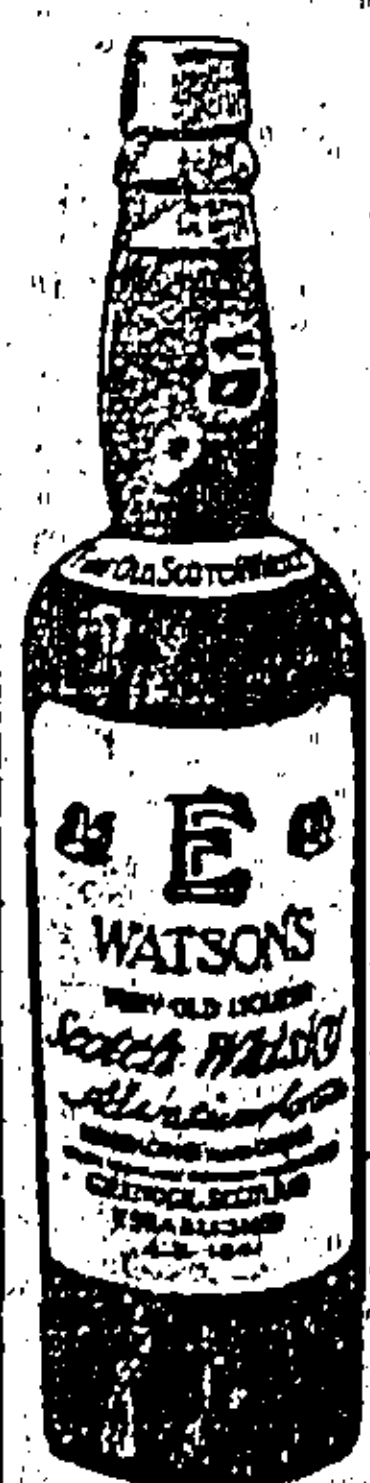
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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

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AMERICA'S QUESTION TO GERMANY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.
The State Department has asked
Germany, through the medium of
Switzerland, why Mr. Gerard, the
United States Ambassador, is
detained.

LATER.

Mr. Lansing disclosed to the State
Department that he had not heard
from Mr. Gerard through any chan-
nel since the evening of the 5th inst.
He was loth to believe that
Germany was detaining Mr. Gerard
on any excuse whatsoever, which
was absolutely unjustifiable by inter-
national law.

"WAR INEVITABLE."

The New York World, which is
the Administration's organ, says that
Americans may make up their minds
that war with Germany is inevitable.

SAFE CONDUCT FOR COUNT BERNSTORFF.

WILL GERMAN SUBMARINES
DISCRIMINATE?

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.
Great Britain and France have
granted a "safe conduct" for Count
Bernstorff, the German Ambassador at
Washington, and his staff.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

The Scandinavian Line announces
that Germany has been asked to ensure
the safe passage of Count Bernstorff
and party.

GREAT BRITAIN'S WARNING.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Reuter announces that the Govern-
ment warned the State Department at
Washington when notifying that safe
conduct would be given to Count Ber-
nstorff that Great Britain would not be
responsible for any harm to the Amba-
sador arising "from the concrete results
of the German disregard for inter-
national law."

AMERICAN LINE SAILINGS
POSTPONED.

THE RIGHT TO ARM FOR SELF-
DEFENCE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

The American line has indefinitely
postponed the sailings of the liners *St. Louis*
and *St. Paul* as the State
Department refused to advise the
company whether ships could enter the
war zones.

The State Department, however,
points out, that neutral vessels are
entitled to arm in self-defence, and
American ships have the right to
traverse any part of the high seas.
The postponement of sailings is
sharply criticised by the Press as
equivalent to an admission of the Ger-
man blockade of American ports, but
the fact that the American line is
seeking men experienced in handling
guns is regarded as indicating that the
St. Louis may be sent to the war zone
with instructions to defend herself.

GERMAN CAPITAL WITHDRAWN
FROM AMERICAN BANKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

German capital is being withdrawn
from American banks and is being
transferred to Argentina, which has
announced strict neutrality.

AEROPLANES FOR AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

Nineteen aeroplane factories have
promised to turn out 200 aeroplanes a
week for the Government.

The National Association of Wool
Manufacturers have placed their entire
output, valued at \$100,000,000 sterling,
at the disposal of the Government.

LOYALTY OF GERMAN- AMERICANS.

GERMAN-AMERICAN REGIMENTS
IN THE EVENT OF WAR.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.

Delegates of twenty-eight States,
representing three millions of German-
Americans pledged their loyalty to the
United States, endorsed President
Wilson's action, and promised to raise
German-American regiments in the
event of war.

RIGID PRECAUTIONS
NEVERTHELESS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

Despite the loud protestations by
German-Americans of loyalty to the
United States, the Federal Authorities
are taking the most rigid precautions
against plots and conspiracies.

Many "important" institutions are
dismissing their Teutonic employees.
All 6-inch guns at West Point have
been shipped to New York to protect
the city.

GERMAN FIREMEN ARRESTED AT
NEW YORK.

SUSPECTED PLOT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

Two hundred ex-firemen belonging
to an interned German liner have been
arrested. They were hiding near the
American line pier and it is believed
that a plot to bomb liners was being
hatched.

LOST AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN.

REGARDED AS AMERICANS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.

Two of the children lost in the
sinking of the *California* were born in
America and are regarded as Ameri-
cans although their parents were
British.

SWEDEN OPPOSED TO AMERICA'S
ACTION.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 9.

Sweden's reply to President Wilson's
Note emphasises that she has con-
sistently observed strict neutrality and
regrets that the United States has not
adhered to the proposals of Sweden
which have led the Scandinavian King-
doms to adopt a system of common
measures towards the belligerents with a
view to maintaining international law.
The method now chosen by the United
States to shorten the war is absolutely
opposed to the policy of neutrality
followed by Sweden, which is not dis-
posed to change its policy.

URUGUAY'S PROTEST.

MONTEVIDEO, Feb. 9.

The Government has replied to the
German Note rejecting the doctrine of
unrestricted submarine warfare.

THREATENED RAILWAY STRIKE
IN AMERICA.

THE PRESIDENT'S WARNING.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.

President Wilson has threatened to
seize eighteen railroads unless the
Chicago switchmen withdraw their
threat to strike.

BELGIAN RELIEF
PARALYSED.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Belgian relief work is paralysed.
Two relief ships have been sunk.

The *Euphrates* was sunk prior to the
German announcement.

Nearly all the crew of the relief ship
Lerkia were lost. This ship was
sunk after the 31st January (when the
German announcement was made).
There was one survivor out of 23.

Each ship was clearly marked and
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Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1917. 1479

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we have this day AUTHORIZED Mr. P. M. M. DI SILVA to sign our firm's name.

WORCESTER & LAMBERT.
Hongkong, Feb. 7, 1917. 1475

SECOND 5½% RUSSIAN INTERNAL
SHORT TERMED LOAN OF 1915.

ALTHOUGH the subscription lists were closed on the 28th December, the RUSSO ASIATIC BANK (Hongkong) is prepared to ACCEPT ORDERS for the above Loan up to the 13th February on the subscription terms as previously advertised.

Hongkong, Jan. 10, 1917. 1538

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Hotel on SATURDAY, 17th February, 1917, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of Accounts of the Company to 31st December, 1916, with the report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th to 17th February, 1917, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

J. H. TAGGART,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917. 1468

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of FEBRUARY, 1917, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1916.

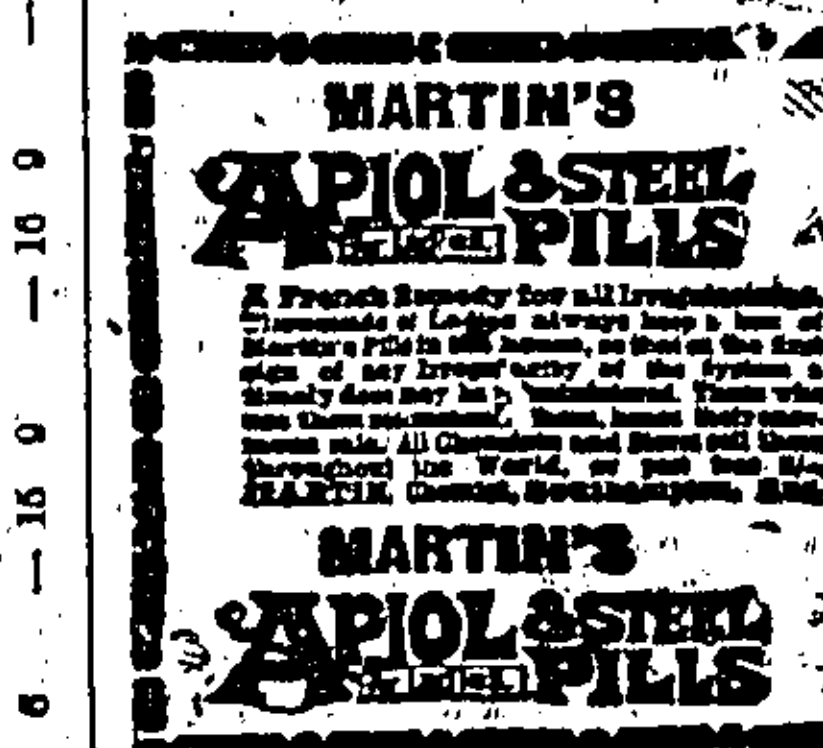
The REGISTER of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 12th FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1917 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1917. 1459

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£24,970,367.

Authorized Capital £24,000,000

Subscribed Capital £24,000,000

Paid-up Capital £24,387,500

Fire Fund £3,837,047

Life & Annuity Funds £17,567,890

Sinking Fund Account £128,230

£23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,466

Life and Annuity £2,141,563

Branches £3,837,047

Revenue Marine Department £37,230

Other Receipts £478,940

£23

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To-day's Advertisements

LOST.
ON February 9th, near Hongkong Ferry Wharf, black and white FOX TERRIER DOG. Answers to the name of "Spot". Finder please return to Lloyd Register, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1917. 1484

NOTICE.
THE OFFICE OF CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS for Kowloon and District will be CLOSED to public business on MONDAY, the 13th current.
A. H. HARRIS
Commissioner of Chinese Customs.
York Buildings,
Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1917. 1483

RACE BOOKS.
THE only Authorised Edition of the Race Book is that published by Messrs. NORONHA & CO., WHICH IS COPYRIGHTED UNDER THE ACT OF 1911.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1917. 1480

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Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1917. 1481

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.
THE HON. SECRETARY requests members not to resort to the telephone unless indicated, in which case his numbers are:
Office..... 1800
Residence..... 1077
All inquiries appertaining to Accounts etc. should be addressed to Messrs. LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS.
Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1917. 1482
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THE DIARY.
MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.
8.30 a.m. — Field Day for H.K. Volunteer Reserves.

General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, Feb. 13:—
2.30 p.m. — Auction of one Grafonia and Books on Gardening.
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14:—
9.15 p.m. — Concert at Helena May Institute.
THURSDAY, Feb. 15:—
10.30 a.m. — Auction of Miscellaneous Stock (Ladies' Silk Hose and Boots and Shoes etc.)
SATURDAY, Feb. 17:—
10.30 a.m. — Auction of Household Utensils at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
MONDAY, Feb. 19:—
5.30 p.m. — Lecture at Helena May Institute.
TUESDAY, Feb. 20:—
Shrove Tuesday.
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21:—
Ash Wednesday.
FRIDAY, Feb. 23:—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
SATURDAY, Feb. 24:—
None — Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's Meeting.
MON. 25, TUES. 27 & WED. 28:—
Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.
THURSDAY, March 1:—
St. David's Day.
SATURDAY, March 3:—
H.K. Jockey Club Race Meeting 'OFF' Day.

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satisfactorily with this problem is by the application to the Crown Colonies of the compulsory measures which are in force at home. The case of every man of military age would then be considered and dealt with. As things are, only those cases which are voluntarily brought before the tribunal will be considered; but we think the young men of the Colony generally will recognise that it is up to them—every one of them—to submit themselves to the judgment of the Commission which has now been constituted, and so secure its sanction for the part they play in the gravest crisis the Empire has ever had to face.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Mr. Man Tat Cheung has been appointed as a Public Vaccinator by His Excellency the Governor. Mr. Man is a member of the Police Reserve.

We regret to record the death of Mr. J. W. Steel, Victualling Store Officer at the Naval Yard, which took place yesterday at the Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, at the early age of 40. The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this evening.

Two godowns at Kennedy Town, Nos. 5 and 6, on the Praya were destroyed by fire yesterday. The godowns were in the occupation of the Yee On Wo, importers and exporters. The damage has not yet been ascertained and the cause of the fire is a mystery, as there was no one on the premises at the time. The goods in the first building, No. 5, were insured in four insurance companies for \$35,000, and the goods in No. 6 were insured for \$5,000. All the contents of the godowns were destroyed.

HONGKONG CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

FOUNDATION-STONE OF NEW BUILDING LAID.

The Bishop of Victoria this afternoon laid the foundation-stone of the new building of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Bridges Street, Hongkong. The funds for the building and furnishings, amounting to \$170,000, were given by Mrs. W. E. Blackstone and Mr. Cyrus K. McCormick of the United States, through the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. The purchase-price of the lot was raised locally three years ago by the directors and members of the Association and the plans for the building were prepared by the donors' architects, who are represented in Hongkong by Mr. A. R. F. Raven. The building, when completed, will have offices, lobby, gymnasium, swimming bath, lecture hall, billiard room, reading room, educational class rooms, and a hotel to accommodate about sixty residents.

The Association, which was organised in Hongkong in 1901, has now grown to such proportions that this large and well-equipped building is urgently needed as headquarters for its work. There was a good attendance. Those on the platform besides the Bishop included Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, Chairman of the Building Committee, Mr. Chan Hatt, President of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Rev. Yang Pak, Mr. Yeung Shu Chun, Dr. T. M. Wan and Mr. Ho Lison, the senior Chinese Secretary. All took a prominent part in the afternoon's proceedings. A full report will appear in our next issue.

THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

The Rev. W. T. Featherston, Seamen's Chaplain, desires to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the following monies towards the support of Chaplains and Institutes for Seamen at important bases at home:—
Collections at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday Feb. 4, 1917 \$421.59
Collection at St. Peter's Church 25.00
Subscriptions received since Sunday Feb. 4, H.P.C.—
\$50; W.A. \$10; H.P.E. \$5;
Aton \$1..... 66.00
This amount, at 2 1/2% realised £60.12.0 and has been sent home.

UNION CHURCH.

This Church has been closed during the past four weeks for renovation and repairs which are now completed. Services have been held meanwhile in the Lecture Hall, but will be resumed in the Church to-morrow when the Rev. J. K. Macdonald will preach morning and evening.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.
The twenty-eighth ordinary meeting of the shareholders of The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd., was held at eleven o'clock this morning at the Company's offices in Victoria Building.

There were present: Messrs. T. H. Hough (Chairman), T. E. Pearce and J. Rodger, Directors; A. Shelton Hooper (Secretary), M. S. Northcote, L. S. Greenhill, A. L. Alves and A. F. Fyfe, shareholders.

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen, the Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some days, I propose with your permission to take them as read. Our net profits for year were \$11,741.37, as against \$13,771.07 for 1915, and the cost of repairs \$2,942.60 against \$1,983.23. The cause of the decrease in the profits is that for some months we had a number of houses vacant, but I am glad to say now that all the houses are occupied, though at lower rentals than they were before the war, and with a return to more peaceful times we hope to be able to obtain increased rentals and thereby pay a higher dividend. I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts and shall be pleased to answer any questions the shareholders may ask. Mr. A. L. ALVES seconded the adoption of the Report and Accounts, which was passed.

Mr. A. H. FYZE proposed, and Mr. L. S. GREENHILL seconded, the re-election of Messrs T. F. Hough and T. E. Pearce as directors and Mr. M. S. NORTHCOTE proposed and Mr. L. S. GREENHILL seconded the re-election of Mr. H. Percy Smith as auditor at a remuneration of \$50. The resolutions were adopted.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The ordinary annual meeting of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Ltd., was held at noon today at the Hongkong Hotel.

There were present Messrs. Henry Humphreys (Chairman), J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden, A. O. Lang, (Directors). D. E. Clark, C. E. Byers, W. Morley, H. W. Bird, A. E. Griffin, J. Alves, G. C. Moxon, M. S. Northcote and A. Shelton Hooper, shareholders.

The CHAIRMAN, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts said: Gentlemen, the Report and Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Report, have been in your hands for the past ten days so with your permission I will take them as read. When we met last year I informed you that the outlook for European property in the near future was not very hopeful, but I am glad to say I was wrong, as during the last six months of the year a decided improvement set in, with the result that 1916 Rent Account shows an increase of \$26,859.98 over that of the previous year. As a partial set off, we had to pay \$5,824.72 more on account of interest. Still the balance in favour of 1916 viz: \$21,035.16 may, I think, be regarded as satisfactory. It is, at least, more than I had hoped for. Repairs are \$2,476.26 less than last year, but General Charges are up \$681.41. The increase is largely accounted for by lighting and caretakers' wages in connection with the twelve new flats at May Road and the six new flats at Kowloon. Turning to Liabilities and Assets, the increase of \$2,353.10 in Insurance Reserve Fund represents expired fire insurance risks underwritten by ourselves. The increase of \$69,083.11 in Property is caused by payments to contractors and architects on account of the eighteen flats already mentioned. The item \$17,516.40 appearing amongst the Assets is, as stated in the accounts, money due by certain of our mortgagors. The property mortgaged to us was hard hit by the war, and as the mortgagors were in arrears with their interest we entered into possession. Your directors do not anticipate that there will eventually be any loss; otherwise provision would have been made in the accounts under review for such a contingency. During the latter part of 1916 we sold two properties at remunerative prices. The profits do not figure in the Profit and Loss account before you as the purchasers do not complete the purchases until the end of this month. I have no further remarks to make, gentlemen, but if any shareholder has any questions to ask I shall be pleased to answer them. Mr. H. W. BIRD seconded the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts, which was passed.

The Chairman then proposed and Mr. D. E. Clark seconded the re-election of Messrs. J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden and A. O. Lang as directors, and the motion was adopted. On the proposal of Mr. A. E. Griffin, seconded by Mr. C. B. Byers, Messrs. Percy Smith, F.C.A. and C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., were re-elected as auditors at a remuneration of \$400.

MAN-POWER QUESTION IN HONGKONG.

APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSION.

PROCLAMATION BY H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

The following Proclamation by H. E. the Governor, Sir Francis Henry May, K.C.M.G., appears in today's issue of the *Hongkong Government Gazette*—
Whereas by the second section of the Commissioners Powers Ordinance, 1836, it is enacted that the Governor in Council shall have power to nominate and appoint Commissioners under the public seal for the purpose of instituting, making, and conducting any enquiry that may be deemed advisable and for reporting thereon:
And Whereas the Governor in Council has deemed it advisable that an enquiry should be instituted, made, and conducted regarding the following matter, namely:—

"Whether, and to what extent, having regard both to Imperial needs and to local conditions, it is practicable and expedient that male British subjects of military age, resident in the Colony, who wish to volunteer for active service with His Majesty's forces outside the Colony, should be allowed to leave the Colony for that purpose."

Now I, Sir Francis Henry May, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby appoint you:—
The Hon. Mr. Ernest Hamilton Sharp, K. C.,
The Hon. Mr. Charles Edward Aston, Robert Shewan, Esquire,
Charles Montague Ede, Esquire,
Lieut.-Colonel Ivor Bertram Fendall Currie, R.A.,
Commander Charles William Malbey Beckwith, R.N.,
Thomas Alexander Loughlin, Esquire, to be Commissioners for the purpose of instituting, making, and conducting such enquiry:

And I do also appoint you, the said Ernest Hamilton Sharp, to be Chairman of the said Commissioners:
And I do also appoint Arthur George Murlison Fletcher, Esquire, to be Secretary to the said Commissioners.
And I do also order and direct that for all or any of the purposes of the said enquiry five Commissioners inclusive of the Chairman shall be and constitute a quorum:
And I do further, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, order and direct that the said Commissioners shall have all the powers, rights, and privileges set out in the third and fourth sections of the said Ordinance:

And I do further require you, the said Commissioners, to report to me your findings and your recommendations in the matter of the said enquiry.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria, Hongkong, this 9th day of February, 1917.
By Command,
CLAUDE SEVERN,
(Colonial Secretary.)

GOD SAVE THE KING.

The following notification is published by command:—

The Commissioners appointed by virtue of Proclamation No. 2 of the 9th February, 1917, are prepared, for purposes of the enquiry indicated in the said Proclamation, to consider forthwith applications from male British subjects, who on the said 9th February, 1917, have not attained the age of forty-one years and who wish to volunteer for active service with His Majesty's forces outside the Colony.

Applications should be addressed forthwith in writing to Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Colonial Secretary's Office, and they should contain particulars of the applicant's birthplace, age, and employment, and any other matters that the applicant may wish to bring to the notice of the Commissioners.

By direction of the Commissioners,
A. G. M. FLETCHER,
(Secretary to the Commissioners.)

We are officially informed that Mr. T. A. Loughlin has been nominated to the Commission as the chosen representative of a number of men of military age, who recently approached the Government for a definite pronouncement as to whether they could be allowed to leave the Colony for active service.

DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA.

GET rid of every cold as quickly as possible. It is the forerunner of all pulmonary trouble, and pneumonia may develop in a few hours. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a simple thing to do, but the effect is marvellous. For all chest ailments and bronchitis.

CHINA AND GERMANY.

CHINA DECIDES TO PROTEST.

A Peking telegram states that the Chinese Government last night decided to send a Note to the German Government protesting against submarine warfare on neutral ships.

The Cabinet has had long discussions on the subject, extending over three days, and we gather that there is a strong disposition in the Cabinet to follow the American Government to the full extent in the matter.

The Provincial authorities are being consulted by telegraph.

THE MAGISTRACY.

A SERIOUS JOKE.

A Chinese boy was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with the theft of various motor cycle parts.

It was alleged the defendant stole the parts from a motor cycle which a European resident of Kowloon had left in the Kowloon Horse Garage Depot.

The defendant pleaded not guilty stating that he had merely attempted to remove the parts from the motor cycle as a joke, and while thus engaged had broken them.

As the damage had not been estimated, the case was remanded until next week.

THEFT OF A PURSE.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. Melbourne this morning with stealing a purse containing \$8.

It was alleged that the purse belonged to a steamship cook whose pocket had been picked by the defendant in Wing Lok Street yesterday.

After hearing the evidence, the Magistrate sentenced defendant to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

DISTRICT WATCHMEN CHARGED.

Two Chinese district watchmen were charged with larceny and assault before Mr. Melbourne this morning. It was alleged that the first defendant entered No. 10 Moon Street and finding the residents playing a game of cards demanded twenty cents. The residents gave him ten cents, but not satisfied with this amount he snatched a silver dollar from the table and ran out of the house. The residents gave chase and the defendant was caught by an Indian constable. At this point the second defendant, interceding on behalf of the first defendant, became involved in an argument with the residents and a general fight ensued. As a result of the fracas the defendants were arrested by the constable and taken to the Police station.

Evidence was heard and His Worship discharged the defendants.

SPORTING.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

LEAGUE MATCH.

DOCKYARD R. CLUB v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Shot at Tai Hang Range on February 4th. Scores:—

DOCKYARD R. CLUB.

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Mr. Brock..... 35 21 20 32

Mr. Elson..... 30 30 31 91

Mr. Goodman..... 31 31 24 86

Mr. Cousins..... 27 24 24 85

Mr. Sears..... 31 25 25 81

Mr. Brown (Capt.)..... 30 30 20 80

Mr. Allen..... 28 28 25 76

Mr. Wright..... 27 28 21 76

Total..... 687

Less deduction of 4% for Aperture Sights..... 23

Net..... 664

R.E.'s..... 500 500 600

Yds. yds. yds. TL

Cpl. Allen..... 29 33 27 89

C. M. S. Black..... 33 29 29 91

C. M. S. Williams..... 28 25 27 80

Sergt. Coxon..... 28 28 28 80

Cpl. Huxley..... 21 31 24 76

Lieut. Wahl..... 29 27 19 75

Cpl. Ramskill..... 30 28 28 74

Sergt. Offord..... 21 27 18 65

Total..... 687

* Aperture sights.

Dockyard R. Club won by 17 points.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years and has gained in popularity every year. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

TRAINING TIMES.

There was a big attendance at the Race Course this morning, including several ladies. The conditions were ideal: mild dry weather, clear atmosphere and a fast good-going course. Both courses were used; there was little difference between them. In the times, given below, (o) indicates outside course and (i) inside.

Our comments are unavoidably held over to Monday.

OLD FOMES.

GENERAL HUDWOOD, 11, o, 44, 1.21, 1.39, 2.38, 3.44.5, 5.43; last 1.31.2.
MATCHBOX, 12, o, 1.17, 1.54, 2.26.1, 2.49; last 1.33.4.
CHERRY, 11, o, 42, 1.20.2, 1.59, 2.37, 3.13.3, 3.46.3; last 1.33.
GOLDFINCH, 11, o, 43, 1.23, 2.06.3, 2.44, 3.10, 3.31.4; last 1.32.4.
NORTLAND, 11, o, 40.3, 1.21, 1.56.9, 2.37, 3.13, 3.48, 4.19.4; last 1.31.4.
DERBY CHIEF, 11, i, 41, 1.23, 2.04, 2.44.4, 3.18.3; last 1.33.4.
FENCIBLE CHIEF, 11, o, 36, 1.10.3, 1.45, 2.10, 2.50; last 1.31.
ADVENTURER, 1 mile last 1, o, 34.3, 1.07.4, 1.44; last 1.33.1.
NYANZA, 1 mile, o, 38.3, 1.10.4, 1.46, 2.21; last 1.35.
THIRTYFIVE DALLIA, 11, o, 35, 1.13, 1.48, 2.23, 3.54; last 1.31.2.
WINDSOR DALLIA, 11, o, 39, 1.16, 1.47, 2.27.3, 3.09.3, 3.39, 4.10.4; last 1.31.4.
GIANT DALLIA, 11, o, 38.2, 1.17, 1.55, 2.31.3, 3.08.1, 3.44, 4.18; last 1.32.

DERBY GRIFFINS.

KING BEN, 11, o, 39, 1.18, 1.54.3, 2.30.1, 3.04, 3.38.4; last 1.34.4.
VICTORY, 11, i, 40, 1.18.3, 1.56, 2.34.3, 3.10.2, 3.45.4, 4.17; last 1.31.1.
WARRIOR II, 11, 39, 1.17.3, 1.55.2, 2.35, 3.13, 3.50.1, 4.23.1; last 1.38.
BROWN MOOSE and TOWN MOOSE, 11 last 1, o, —, 1.16, 1.51, 2.25, 2.58.4, 3.31.1; last 1.32.2.
TITMUSE, 11, o, —, 1.23, 2.01.3, 2.38, 3.15.3, 3.50.4, 4.22.2; last 1.31.1.
FOURFOUR CHIEF, 11, o, 42.3, 1.22.2, 2.01.2, 2.34; 3.11; last 1.37.
ESSEX CHIEF, 1 mile last 1, o, 35, 1.08.2, 1.43.2; last 1.35.
GLORIOUS PEARL, 11, o, 43, 1.21.2, 2.00, 2.38.2, 3.18, 3.43.2; last 1.35.1.
MATCHLESS PEARL, 1 mile, o, —, 1.21.3, 2.46.4; last 1.34.1.
BRIGHT PEARL, 11, o, 43.2, 1.24, 2.08, 2.41.1, 3.12, 3.50.2; last 1.38.2.
BLACK PRINCE, 11 last 1, o, 36, 1.12, 1.45.2; last 1.33.2.
ONWARD DALLIA, 11 last 1, i, 35.2, 1.08; last 1.33.3.
SILVER STREAK, 2 miles last 11, 42, 1.23.2, 2.04, 2.47, 3.21, 3.57.3, 4.28.2; last 1.30.4.
STAR OF DOON, 2 miles last 11, 41.2, 1.23.3, 2.06.2, 2.45.2, 3.17.2; last 1.32.
JACOBITE, 11 last 1, o, 39.2, 1.17.2, 1.52.2; last 1.35.
HERBERT, 11, o, 39, 1.14, 1.49.2, 2.27.8, 3.00, 3.32; last 1.32.
WARRIOR II, 11, 46, 1.20, 1.56, 2.29.2, 3.02.2; last 1.33.
AERIALIST, 11, o, 43, 1.20, 1.58, 2.35, 3.11, 3.47.3, 4.22; last 1.34.2.
SINCLAIR, 11, o, 42.3, 1.20.3, 2.32, 3.06.3, 3.39, 4.15.3; last 1.36.3.
GRIFFINS.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

BRIDGEMOUTH, 11, o, 37.3, 1.13, 1.51, 2.26.3, 3.00.4, 3.36.3; last 1.34.4.
SOL, 1 mile, o, —, 1.17, 1.56.3; last 1.38.3.
MO, 11, o, 45, 1.22, 1.59.3, 2.35.2, 3.07.2; last 1.32.
THE JIGGER, 1 mile, o, 39.2, 1.11.2, 1.47, 2.21; last 1.34.
HUSH HUSH, 1 mile, o, —, 1.12, 1.49, 2.22.3; last 1.35.3.
MERRY MONARCH, 11, o, 44, 1.23, 1.59, 2.34, 3.09; last 1.34.
WHIPPET-IN, 1 mile, o, 33, 1.06.2; last 1.33.2.
WHITE METAL, 1 mile, o, 35, 1.10, 1.41.2, 2.23.3; last 1.37.4.
CHIEFTAIN, 11 last 1, i, 38, 1.13, 1.40.2, last 1.33.2.
TODIAN, 11, o, 39, 1.17.3, 1.55.2, 2.35, 3.13, 3.50.1, 4.25; last 1.34.4.
MONKHOOT, 11, 39, 1.17.1, 1.53, 2.35.1, 2.59; last 1.32.4.
SPALFEN, 11, o, 37, 1.15.2, 1.49.3, 2.28.2, 2.50.3; last 1.33.1.
FIELD MOUSE, 11 last mile, o, 38.3, 1.15, 1.43, 2.26; last 1.38.
DOMINO, 11 mile, o, 38.2, 1.15, 1.43, 2.27; last 1.34.
PEARL PEARL, 1 mile, o, 36, 1.11, 1.45.3, 2.20.3; last 1.35.
WHITE BANG, 1 mile, o, —, 1.13, 1.49, 2.23; last 1.34.
DANDY DALLIA, 11 last mile, o, 38, —, 1.49, 2.22.1; last 1.33.1.
MAGIC DALLIA, 11, o, 37, 1.12.3, 1.49.2, 2.23.2, 2.57.3; last 1.34.1.
CHIEFTAIN DALLIA, 11 last mile, o, 38, —, 1.40, 2.25; last 1.38.
DRUMSTICK, 11 last 11, o, 39, 1.17.3, 1.55, 2.22.2, 3.05; last 1.32.3.
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TELEGRAMS.

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SUBMARINE OUTRAGES.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The steamer *Abul*, Corsican, *France*, *Crown Point*, *St. Ninian*, *Wason*, *Eriton*, and *Vesta* (British), *Farrucio* (Spanish), four British small craft, one Norwegian and one Peruvian sailing ship have been sunk. The total aggregate, 20,000 tons.

LATER.

The captain of the Norwegian steamer *Ida*, which was sunk, states that a submarine shelled the vessel without warning, and that the ship sank. The chief officer and steward were killed.

The British steamer *Crown Point* has been sunk. The Captain and Chief Engineer were taken prisoner, and five of the crew were killed and two injured.

LATER.

Twenty-five of the crew of the Johnston liner *Vedamora*, which has been sunk, were lost.

HOW SUBMARINISM IS BEING COMBATED.

SPEECH BY LORD CURZON.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Lord Curzon, speaking in the House of Lords, detailed the steps that are being taken to combat submarine warfare. His Lordship said we are multiplying destroyers to escort ships and to act as a screen, arming merchant ships and developing inventions to discover and destroy submarines. We are protecting neutrals by organising sea lanes of safety and we are building new ships at an accelerated rate. His Lordship gave warning that far greater restrictions on unessential imports would be imposed and emphasised the necessity of economising in food, increasing home production and making the war a success. "We are now approaching the supreme and terrible times of the war. Possibly in the coming months the enemy will attempt to surpass his previous atrocities. We must use every resource to beat him. Our leaders must be courageous, prompt and resolute; otherwise better men will replace them."

BRITISH DESTROYER SUNK BY MINE.

ONLY FIVE SURVIVORS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The Admiralty announces that a British destroyer of the older type while patrolling the Channel struck a mine and sank.

All the officers were lost. There were only five survivors.

WIRELESS STATIONS IN NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

MADRID, Feb. 9.

A decree places all wireless stations in Spain under Government control.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 9.

A German wireless station has been discovered at Niteroi.

INTENSE COLD IN GERMANY. SCARCITY OF FUEL.

BERNE, Feb. 9.

The intense cold in Germany is greatly aggravated by the shortage of coal. It is 18 degrees below zero at Leipzig.

All places of amusement in Saxony have been closed in order to save fuel.

FOOD SCARCITY IN HOLLAND.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 9.

There are queues of women outside the food shops in the poor quarter.

THE MAN POWER PROBLEM IN AUSTRIA.

BERNE, Feb. 9.

Austrian civilians between the ages of 20 and 45, except miners, are being re-examined for military purposes a fourth time.

ANTI-WAR MEETING BROKEN UP.

New York, Feb. 9.

An anti-war meeting in Colorado was broken up by flag-waving patriots. Many were injured.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

PARIS, Feb. 9.

A French communiqué states: An enemy attack in the region of Vaux les Palameis, east of Meuse, completely failed.

There has been violent artillery work in Wierre.

German aeroplanes bombed the Dunkirk and Frouard regions. Four persons were killed and four injured.

LATER.

A French communiqué announces a successful coup de main east of Rheims, and also mentions that the French effectively bombarded in the sector Hill 804.

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

A German official report says: We repulsed an English attack near Serre.

We lost ground near Baillencourt.

The English attacked north of St. Pierre Vaast Wood, and retained a small front.

During January, we lost 34 aeroplanes and the British French and Russians 57.

GERMANS PREPARING FOR A RAPID RETREAT.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 9.

Les Nouvelles states that the Germans are building new railways in the Liege region towards the Rhine.

RUSSIAN GENERAL KILLED.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

A Russian official report states that in the region of Manoinva General Karlovskii was killed by a rifle bullet.

THE MESOPOTAMIAN CAMPAIGN.

VERY SATISFACTORY REPORTS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Lord Curzon, speaking in the House of Lords, declared that there had been a vast improvement in every respect in Mesopotamia, with the result that there had been a wonderful recovery in the spirit of the force. Letters he had received from officers in Mesopotamia all expressed confidence and specially praised the wonderful endurance and constancy of the Indian troops in the most difficult conditions. This improvement was reflected in the character of the results of recent military operations. The force was now able to threaten very seriously the main front of the enemy on the left bank of the river. Although operating in a secondary theatre the force was playing a far from unimportant part in the world-wide campaign in killing large numbers of the enemy and holding up a very considerable Turkish army, thereby easing the position of the Russians and ourselves in the Caucasus and Persia and also retaining positions of great strategic importance, putting an effective extinguisher on the Pan-German dreams of a great Teutonic dominion, extending from the Bosphorus to the Persian Gulf and lastly they were preparing for future eventualities.

Mr. Bonar Law, in a speech in the House of Commons, said that the successes attending the intensive operations during the past few weeks in Mesopotamia had been achieved despite large enemy reinforcements whose despatch was of great military advantage in weakening the forces to be opposed to the Russians when the time for movement comes. Colonel Maude estimates the enemy's killed to February 3rd had amounted to 2,630. Our losses were very slight. The mistakes of the past had been repaired and now there were no complaints about supplies. The traffic up to the Tigris in January was almost ten times what it was in July. The success attending the expedition and the knowledge that it was well cared for had had a most splendid effect upon the troops, who were showing a spirit of which we had reason to be proud. Colonel Maude, who himself deserved congratulations for the work he had done, reports that the stubborn determination and fighting spirit of the troops, and the complete co-operation of all arms, had been superb.

TICKLING IN THE THROAT.

EVEN the slightest tickling or hoarseness in the throat may be the forerunner of a dangerous illness. Stop it at once with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

THE WAR LOAN.

THE LATEST LARGE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The following subscriptions to the War Loan are announced: Cardiff Corporation £30,000,000, Swansea Corporation £1,000,000, Glasgow Corporation £2,000,000, Sun Insurance Co. £2,000,000, Great Indian Peninsula Railway £604,500, Bengal-Nagpur Railway £200,000.

TO TERMINATE THE WAR BY END OF SUMMER.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Mr. Hodge, the Labour Minister, speaking at Walworth, said the recent Allied Conference determined to do its utmost to terminate the war by the end of summer. It would not be long before every British merchantman was armed.

EGYPTIAN FRONTIER OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

An official report states that the main force of the Senussi southward of Girda has been routed. We captured Siwa and Mamasih Pass, captured a convoy and ambushed a leading party from Girda.

The Senussi sustained 200 casualties, including several Turkish officers.

ENEMY SHELL STANISLAW.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

A Russian official report states that the enemy has bombarded Stanislaw with 12-inch shells.

THE TANNING INDUSTRY.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The Times understands that the tanners of the United Kingdom strongly favour developing the trade in Indian "dead" hides, and are prepared to spend much on erecting plant provided that measures are adopted to remove the German taint from the business in India and to prevent the possibility of Germans recovering control of the Indian dealers after the war. They also propose a substantial duty on exports to the present enemy countries.

THE CAVALRY MAN'S CHAIN SHOULDER STRAP.

It may not be generally known that a contemporary of General Sir George Luck, whose death is announced, was the first British soldier to wear the chain shoulder straps which are still part of the equipment of some of our cavalrymen, and that it is to Lady Luck that the army is indebted for their introduction. When Sir George started on a campaign the sewed-on strap of his tunic as a protection against chance sabre cuts, and the device acted so well that it was adopted for the cavalry generally. In this war, so far, there has been no cavalry fighting, worthy of serious notice, and the device has not been tested under modern conditions. The utility of the chain shoulder strap is obvious enough, but it may be new, perhaps, that the thick cord which takes its place in other branches of the service has the same object—the "breaking" of sabre cuts or other blows. Again, most people are familiar with pictures of French cavalrymen wearing helmets with tails of horsehair hanging down over their necks. The first impression will be that they are merely ornamental, but actually they are to protect the neck from sabre cuts, and were only adopted by the French after tests had been made concerning the resistance of horsehair to the sword.

TO NORTH POLE BY AIRCRAFT.

CAPTAIN AMUNDSEN'S PLANS FOR NEW EXPEDITION.

Captain Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, who discovered the South Pole, and who has come to the United States to buy concentrated foods and scientific instruments for his North Pole expedition scheduled for the summer of 1918, may make the last lap of his journey by aeroplane.

The vessel in which he will sail into the Arctic Ocean is now under construction, and will be launched in March. He will proceed on this as far as possible, hoping to drift over the North Pole with the polar current. Should this be impossible he will try to reach his goal by aeroplane.

Captain Amundsen is now said to be personally supervising the construction of a machine built to his own requirements.

According to the Parliamentary correspondent of the "Daily News" among a number of measures decided upon to limit the use of metal is one prohibiting the manufacture of hairpins.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption when they have colds. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds, you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

CONSTANT BRITISH ACTIVITY.

IMPORTANT POSITION GAINED.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We attacked this morning an important position on the highest point of Sully Spill Hill, gained the whole of our objects, and took 78 of the enemy prisoners.

We followed up the capture of Grandcourt vigorously on both banks of the Ancre, making considerable further progress.

We captured, at night, Baillencourt farm, on the Beaumont-Mirumont road, and also a trench between Grandcourt and our old front line, taking 23 more prisoners.

Our gains on the Ancre since the New Year represent an advance of an average of three-quarters of a mile on a three-mile front.

We raided trenches to the south of Bouchevaux, killing a number of the enemy in their dug-outs, which were bombed.

We repulsed two attempted raids in the neighbourhoods of Guedecourt and La Bassee.

There has been considerable reciprocal artillery firing near Armentieres. At Ypres a large explosion was caused in the enemy lines.

FIFTY-THREE VILLAGES TAKEN SINCE JULY.

ENEMY NERVOUS AND JUMPY.

PARIS, Feb. 9.

Grandcourt, the latest of the series of British nibblings at the German line in the West, is the fifty-third village the Anglo-French have re-taken since July 1st. These gains are producing growing enemy nervousness and jumpiness. They have been gained by the newest form of attack, in which there is a continuous and general, instead of a specially localised, bombardment which no longer enables the enemy to discover where the bomb-carrying "Tommy", creeping up under cover of the artillery, are likely to burst in on dug-outs.

BELGIANS REPULSE ENEMY RAIDERS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

A Belgian official message says: A strong party of Germans attacked our posts to the south of Dixmude, but were met with rifle and machine-gun fire which decimated them. The survivors surrendered. Numerous corpses were heaped up before the trenches, and some were brought in.

THE "CALIFORNIA" OUTRAGE.

AMERICAN CHILDREN MISSING.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The latest American advice states that at least two, and possibly three American-born children are missing from the California.

SPAIN FIRMLY PROTESTS AGAINST "FRIGHTFULNESS."

A "MOST PAINFUL IMPRESSION."

MADRID, Feb. 9.

Spain's reply to the German proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare says that the proclamation has made a most painful impression, and tranquilly, but firmly, protests that such unprecedented warfare is contrary to the principles observed by all nations, even in their most violent moments. The reply refuses to admit the legitimacy of such warfare, and does not doubt that Germany will find a means of satisfying the demands of Spain, which is bound to protect the lives of its subjects and maintain the integrity of her sovereignty.

THE "HOSTAGE" REPORT.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 8.

A telegram from Berlin rather discounts the strange Copenhagen story regarding the detention of Americans, and states that Mr. Gerard's departure has not been fixed because the batch of passports are not ready.

BRITISH MAN POWER.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The War Office has called up for immediate service employees of the Government and the local authorities, from 18 to 22 years of age, following the cancellation of their exemptions.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The House of Commons has adopted the address in reply to the speech from the Throne.

HONGKONG WOMEN'S WAR WORK.

"Our Little Bit" Society, Kowloon, yesterday forwarded their usual fortnightly parcel of comforts for the troops, to Mrs. Philip de Fonblanque, care of the "Matron," No. 2 General Hospital, Chelsea, England, through the courtesy of Messrs. Shaw, Tones & Co.

consisting of the following:—3,336 rolled bandages, 316 swabs, 63 flannel masks, 316 bandages, 15 floor mops, 39 eye bandages, 28 pairs surgical stockings, 24 caps, 6 pairs socks, 39 mitts, 38 pairs pyjamas, 1 case dry ginger, 1 Japanese ginsu.

EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

SHIPOWNERS' ENORMOUS GAINS.

NEED FOR PROVIDING FOR NEW TONNAGE.

CONCLUDING a series of articles on the working of the excess profits tax, a writer in the London "Daily Chronicle" deals with the enormous gains made by the shipping companies since the outbreak of war, and urges shipowners to take this very favourable opportunity of making provision for new tonnage. He writes:—

Never before has our shipping industry made such profits as since the outbreak of war. Struggling companies with an unsuccessful past and none too cheerful prospects have been quite set on their feet, while the prosperous concerns have realised profits such as they never hoped to earn even in "boom" times.

It is, of course, the shortage of tonnage that has been the great factor. Apart from our war losses, the Government has had to commandeer vessels freely for transport, hospital ships, &c., to say nothing of the tonnage required for carrying goods for ourselves and our Allies. Possibly from 50 to 60 per cent. of our mercantile marine has been thus requisitioned.

Foreign tonnage available for the world's needs has also been much reduced, with the German mercantile marine off the sea and a good proportion of our Allies' vessels requisitioned for the purposes of their respective Governments. High freight rates were bound to be the outcome, but few could have contemplated a rise from 800 to 1,000 per cent., such as actually occurred. The Government were pressed to fix quotations, but found themselves confronted by an awkward problem.

Artificially to fix freight rates in connection with shipping was to more profitable routes the bulk of the 750,000 to 800,000 tons of foreign shipping entering our ports monthly, which would have been suicidal. The Government did the next best thing. They commandeered more tonnage at fixed rates, and regulated the sailing routes of the British cargo vessels not requisitioned, with the object of seeing that they were utilised first and foremost to the best advantage of the Empire rather than to increase unduly the profits of owners.

REMARKABLE FIGURES.

Although less than half our mercantile marine has been able to take advantage of the abnormally high freight rates, profits have risen by leaps and bounds. Sixty per cent. of the excess over the pre-war standard, of course, goes to the Government, and large amounts have had to be set aside for income tax, and so on. But even then the figures are remarkable. The following table embraces results published by well-known undertakings during the past few months. Many of the companies, it will be seen, strike their profits for the second year after making full allowance for all taxation liabilities:—

PROFITS.

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* After allowing for excess profits tax.

After provisions for depreciation.

When it is remembered that the pre-war period covered a time of exceptionally active trade and great shipping prosperity the profit figures are even more startling. What are the companies doing with their profits? Until a few years ago shipowners were very improvident in matters of money. Profits were squandered to the hilt, and very little was set aside for the inevitable day of depression. When that day came the shareholders were the sufferers.

But the "boom" of 1914-15 saw the lesson at last learnt, and there was little dividing up to the hilt, and the consequence was that when the war broke out the companies were well-equipped for whatever such a cataclysm might bring. After two or three months of trade paralysis it brought property, not adversity.

MENACE TO OUR PROSPERITY.

But unprecedented prosperity has meant also greater responsibilities. Ships now cost four and five times as much to build as they did before the war, and new tonnage is vital to the supremacy of our mercantile marine. Vessels having been hard driven, heavier depreciation allowances are a necessity. Provision is needed for alterations and renewals when vessels are handed back by the Government. It was on account of these responsibilities on the part of shipowners that the Government insisted that dividends should be restricted at least to the 1912-13 level.

The dividends in the case of most of the companies in the above list have been doubled and in some cases tripled as compared with the results in 1913.

These companies have also largely increased their appropriations in various directions. But we see little evidence of funds specially set aside for the construction of new tonnage. We have repeatedly drawn attention to the enormous profits made by mercantile companies, but only to a very small extent are they being put to use for the benefit of the shipping industry.

The future, mercantile marine depends on nothing of the sort, and particularly on the movement of funds into the hands of shipping industry. We are aware of a few wealthy capitalists. We are aware that shipping combines formed in the

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Provision for new vessels is, therefore, an urgent question for the national authorities. And it is not for the point of view of the shipping industry alone that this is a matter of importance.

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